

Central Intelligence Agency Office of the Deputy Director for Intelligence

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NOTE TO: Director, CPAS

Frank --

In addition to my note to you on the attached paper, I am hearing that the publication process is slowing down. What is the problem? Do you need more resources? If so, what?

Robert M. Gates
Deputy Director for Intelligence





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MEMORANDUM FOR: Robert M. Gates

FROM: Lawrence K. Gershwin

SUBJECT: ABM Paper Delayed in CPAS

As you are aware, we are working on a high-priority basis to put together a paper for the DCI on Soviet efforts in ballistic missile defense. I found out today that the ABM branch of OSWR has a paper on this subject that they have been working on for some time; that paper has been in CPAS since late July.

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Evidently other production has repeatedly taken priority over it. Given the DCI's strong interest in this subject, I feel that we should push this paper through as soon as possible. It is an invaluable companion piece to our current effort, and should find a wide audience in the defense and arms control policymaking community. Frankly, I am puzzled as to why such pubs take so long to get out, given the high interest in the subject repeatedly expressed by the DCI. In this case the analysts get frustrated, because they have done their part, but the rest of the system seems so unresponsive.

